

SECTION 538 GUARANTEED RURAL RENTAL HOUSING (G-RRH) PROGRAM

The FY 2006 Requests for Proposals for the G-RRH program was published in the Federal Register on January 27, 2006. A copy of the notice is enclosed for your information.

\$99 million is available in loan guarantee funding authority nationwide for FY 2006.

The State Office has been designated as the intake and processing office for the G-RRH program this year. Please submit applications to:

USDA-Rural Development
ATTN: MFH Division
375 Jackson Street, Suite 410
St. Paul, MN 55101

You may contact Peter Lundquist at (651) 602-7782 if you have any questions.

In addition to prior year types of assistance and loan purposes, this fiscal year, guarantees will be available for the revitalization, repair, and transfer cost of existing Section 515 housing.

Complete responses are to include a signed cover letter from the lender on the lender's letterhead, signed by both the lender and prospective borrower, and the "NOFA Response" information as outlined in the enclosed Federal Register notice.

All responses will be reviewed on an ongoing basis through **June 16, 2006**. Responses received after that date will be held for review subject to the availability of funds. Incomplete responses will not be considered for funding.

Rural Development program handbooks and forms are available on our web site at www.rurdev.usda.gov/mn.